



CITY COUNCIL  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

03-R -0379

A RESOLUTION

BY COUNCILMEMBERS FELICIA A. MOORE, CARLA SMITH, DEBI STARNES,

IVORY LEE YOUNG, JR., CLETA WINSLOW, NATALYN ARCHIBONG, ANNE

FAUVER, HOWARD SHOOK, CLAIR MULLER, C. T. MARTIN, JIM MADDOX,

DERRICK BOAZMAN, CEASAR MITCHELL, MARY NORWOOD AND H. LAMAR

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A RESOLUTION URGING THE GEORGIA STATE LEGISLATURE TO CONVENE A COMMISSION (REPRESENTATIVE OF ALL STAKEHOLDERS) TO ANALYZE THE IMPACT OF THE INCORPORATION OF SANDY SPRINGS ON LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX REVENUE DISTRIBUTION, THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY NORTH TO I-285 INTO THE CITY OF ATLANTA, PROPOSED CHANGES TO SERVICE DELIVERY BILL 489, PARTICIPATION IN A REFERENDUM ON THE QUESTION OF INCORPORATION AND/OR ANNEXATION, AND PROPOSALS BY SANDY SPRINGS PROPONENTS THAT SEEK TO COMPENSATE THE CITY OF ATLANTA; CALLING FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE COMMISSION'S FINDINGS; STATING THE CITY OF ATLANTA'S OPPOSITION TO THE CONSIDERATION OR PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL 136, 315, 151 & 150, AND SENATE BILL 42, 43 & 49, WHICH SEEK TO INCORPORATE A CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS, UNTIL SAID COMMISSION SUBMITS ITS FINDINGS TO ASSESS THE IMPACT ON THE CITY OF ATLANTA AND OTHER MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN FULTON COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta has long been on record in opposition to the incorporation of the City of Sandy Springs, and

WHEREAS, the historic reason behind this opposition has been the negative affect the incorporation of a new City of Sandy Springs will have on the City of Atlanta's ability to annex areas surrounding the City of Atlanta to the south and southwest, as well as the north to I-285; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta's opposition also includes concern over the loss of \$10-14 million in Local Option Sales Tax revenue if a new city is created within Fulton County; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta has passed a resolution encouraging the General Assembly to consider the issue of how LOST revenues are distributed to the municipalities within Fulton County; and



**WHEREAS**, the Georgia State House and Senate have introduced bills to begin the process of incorporating what would become the seventh largest city in the state of Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Atlanta stands in opposition to the consideration of any legislation that would seek to incorporate the City of Sandy Springs without thorough review, participation and comment from all stakeholders in the City of Atlanta and Fulton County.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA**, that the City of Atlanta urges the Georgia State Legislature, prior to any consideration of the incorporation of Sandy Springs, to convene a Commission that is representative of all affected stakeholders in the City of Atlanta and Fulton County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Atlanta respectfully requests that the Commission's work include, but not be limited to, the study and analysis of the impact of the incorporation of Sandy Springs, and the potential measures to mitigate said impact.

- a. Proposed changes to the current formula for the distribution of Local Option Sales Tax revenues to municipalities in Fulton County, and
- b. An updated analysis of the proposed City of Sandy Springs; and
- c. The City of Atlanta's annexation of property on the north to I-285, south and southwest; and
- d. Proposed changes to service delivery strategies established in accordance with Bill 489, and
- e. Which stakeholders and different zones/areas should participate in any referendum on the question of incorporation and/or annexation?
- f. Proposals from the proponents of the City of Sandy Springs that seek to compensate the City of Atlanta.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Atlanta requests that after the submission of the Commission's findings, that public hearings be held with all Fulton County residents to receive comment, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Atlanta requests that the Georgia State Legislature include participation from the Executive and Legislative branches of Atlanta city government on the Commission and in any discussions related to the incorporation of Sandy Springs; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Atlanta states its opposition to the consideration or passage of House Bill 136, 315, 151 & 150, and Senate Bill 42, 43 & 49 which seek to incorporate a new City of Sandy Springs until said commission submits its findings to assess the impact on the City of Atlanta and other municipalities within Fulton County, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Municipal Clerk of The City of Atlanta is hereby directed to transmit a true and correct copy of this resolution to the Governor, Lt. Governor and all members of the Georgia State Legislature.

A true copy,

  
Municipal Clerk, CMC

ADOPTED by the Council  
APPROVED by the Mayor

MAR 03, 2003  
MAR 04, 2003

RCS# 4527  
3/03/03  
5:00 PM

Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

03-R-0379      Urge General Assembly to form Commission  
                 to Analyze Incorp. of Sandy Springs  
                 ADOPT

YEAS: 15  
NAYS: 0  
ABSTENTIONS: 0  
NOT VOTING: 1  
EXCUSED: 0  
ABSENT 0

Y Smith	Y Archibong	Y Moore	Y Mitchell
Y Starnes	Y Fauver	Y Martin	Y Norwood
Y Young	Y Shook	Y Maddox	Y Willis
Y Winslow	Y Muller	Y Boazman	NV Woolard

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UNANIMOUS

- ☐ CONSENT REFER
- ☐ REGULAR REPORT REFER
- ☐ ADVERTISE & REFER
- ☐ 1st ADOPT 2nd READ & REFER
- ☐ PERSONAL PAPER REFER

Date Referred  
Referred To: **ADOPTED BY**  
Date Referred **MAR 03 2003**  
Referred To: **COUNCIL**  
Date Referred  
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First Reading

Committee \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair \_\_\_\_\_  
Referred To \_\_\_\_\_

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Fav, Adv, Hold (see rev. side)

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FINAL COUNCIL ACTION

☐ 2nd ☐ 1st & 2nd ☐ 3rd

Readings

☐ Consent ☐ V Vote ☒ RC Vote

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CERTIFICATE OF PRESENTMENT  
Catherine M. Holland

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Rachel Dampier Johnson  
MUNICIPAL CLERK

MAYOR'S ACTION

APPROVED

W. PAIR - 2003  
MURRAY HANLEY  
MAYOR